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TAGS: ESTC, COCOM

SUBJECT: U.S. SCANNING SYSTEM TO THE PRC - IL 1502, 1565,
AND 1572

REFERENCE: COCOM DOC. (78) 455

USDEL IS AUTHORIZED TO DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING IN ANSWERING
POSSIBLE QUESTIONS ON THE SUBJECT CASE:

1. DIVERSION TO MILITARY USE IN THE PRC IS REGARDED AS
UNLIKELY BECAUSE:

A. DIVERSION IN PLACE BY INSTALLATION OF ELECTRONIC INTEL-
LIGENCE RECEIVERS WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO CONCEAL. THE PRC
WILL BE DEPENDING ON A MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH THE U.S.
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SUPPLIER. SINCE THE SUPPLY OF SPARE PARTS WILL BE VERY
LIMITED, MAINTENANCE VISITS WILL BE FREQUENT.

B. IF ANY OR ALL OF THE BACKUP RECORDERS WERE DIVERTED
FROM THE SYSTEM, IT COULD LEAD TO LONG SYSTEM DOWNTIME AS
WELL AS THE LOSS OF A REMOTE SITE PROCESSOR FOR QUICK
LOOKS AT THE EARTH RESOURCES TECHNOLOGY SATELLITE (ERTS)

IMAGERY.

C. IN ORDER TO MAKE USE OF THE FULL TWO MHZ BANDWIDTH RECORD/REPRODUCE CAPABILITY, NEW ELECTRONICS WOULD NEED TO BE BUILT. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE PRC POSSESSES THIS ABILITY. THE RECORD/REPRODUCE ELECTRONICS SUPPLIED WITH THE RECORDERS ARE USABLE UP TO ONLY ABOUT 500 KHZ.

D. IT WOULD BE UNECONOMIC FOR THE PRC TO PURCHASE THE ENTIRE SYSTEM JUST TO OBTAIN THE RECORDERS. VANCE

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